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CHURCH FORMED IN PLYMOUTH, ENGLAND, UNDER THE  
GUIDANCE OF REV. JOHN WHITE OF DORCHESTER, ENGLAND,  
1630. PRESENT BUILDING THE SIXTH, ERECTED 1896.

*Minister*

REVEREND ROBERT STORER

## CHURCH STAFF

### *Minister*

Rev. Robert Storer, 29 High Street Col. 4209

### *Parish Administrator*

Frank L. Clapp, 195 Boston Street Col. 6565

### *Parish Assistant*

Hester Davis Haseltine, 71 Waldeck Street Col. 4137

### *Sexton*

George A. French, 29 High Street Gen. 2369

### *Choir*

Miss Mary Ingraham, 6 Newbury Street, Boston Ken. 0491  
Organist and Musical Director

Mrs. Frederick P. Kimball, 44 Park St., Dedham Ded. 0742  
Soprano

Mrs. Ada Linwood Hersey, 162 South Street, Hingham  
Contralto Hin. 1072

C. William Frykberg, 56 Clement Ave., West Roxbury  
Tenor Par. 4720

Carl E. Wallquist, 61 Boutwell Street, Dorchester  
Bass Tal. 8200

### *Clerk*

William Hoag, 210 Savin Hill Avenue Col. 4674

### *Treasurer and Collector*

Frank L. Clapp, 195 Boston Street Col. 6565

### *Church Office*

10 Parish Street, Dorchester Gen. 0527

## PARISH LIST

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As of September 1941

A person's address is assumed to be "Dorchester" unless specified. The letter following a name indicates the church organization in which that person holds membership.

- a. First Parish Church.
- a\*. Non-voting members.
- b. Church School.
- c. Richard Mather Chapter (Laymen's League).
- d. First Parish Dorchester Alliance.
- e. Evening Alliance.
- f. Junior Alliance.
- g. Fifield Club.
- h. Girl Scouts.
- i. Junior Choir.
- j. Hearers and Doers.
- k. Meeting House Club.
- l. 20-40 Club.
- m. Nathaniel Hall Society.
- n. Forbes Club.
- o. Boy Scouts.

## A

Abbott, J. Russell c ..... 41 Osborne Rd., Brookline  
Asp. 2576

Adams, Dr. Herbert W. ..... 744 Dudley St.  
Elliot 1 Col. 8857

Alden, Miss Martha ..... 60 Nahant Ave.

Anderson, James M. ..... 1181 Dorchester Ave.  
Mrs. Elizabeth  
Betty Louise b

Anderson, Ronald ..... 78 Clarkson St.  
Mrs. Marion Col. 5126

Audrey b-m

Florence K. b-m

Helen Virginia b-h-i-j

Beulah Isabelle b-h-i-j

George

Anthony, Mrs. C. A. ..... 75 Pleasant St.

Arey, Bertram C. c ..... 9 Larchmont St.  
Mrs. Bessie V. Col. 4984

Geraldine V. b-m

Arisian, Khoren b ..... 31 Barry St.

Atwood, Robert m ..... 101 Rossiter St.  
Col. 8042

## B

Ballantyne, James a ..... 1082 Washington St.  
Mrs. Jane F. a East Weymouth

Thomas Robertson

William Robertson

Barker, Mrs. Edith ..... 10 Allston St.  
Richard F.

Barton, Mrs. Jean ..... 84 Clarkson St.  
Gerald b Col. 8635

Barbara b

David b

Baxter, Miss Lillian J. ..... 435 Columbia Rd.

Behm, Mrs. Constance a-g ..... 19 Denny St.  
Alice a-b-e-l-m

John b-m-n-o

Benson, Edward ..... 274 Bowdoin St.  
Mrs. Ruth

Carl b

Barbara b

Joann b

Bent, Mrs. Gertrude	39 Moultrie St.
Edna	Tal. 6139
Nancy	
Berg, George A. a-c	80 Park St.
Berg, Julius K. c	Col. 3442
Bird, Miss Annie G.	337 Neponset Ave.
Bird, Tyler H.	54 Lake Ave., Melrose
Mrs. Nellie a-d	
Black, F. Ervine k	131 River St., Braintree
Mrs. Lillian k	Bra. 0859-M
Bowker, Miss Martha E. d	1001 Adams St.
	Blu. 1119
Boyazian, Charles	458 Quincy St.
Mrs. Agnes	
Lillian b-h-i	
Boynton, Miss Abbie W. M. a	3 Alvah Kittredge Park,
	Roxbury
Brackett, Mrs. Grace L.	20 Ware St., Cambridge
Bradley, Mrs. N. A.	471 Columbia Rd.
Miss Dorothy	Col. 5267
Brainerd, Edward W. k	13 Upland Ave.
Mrs. Doris W. d-k	Col. 9284
Elizabeth Ann b-m	
Barbara Jean b	
Brainerd, Miss Lucy C. a	165 Rawson Rd., Brookline
	Asp. 2726
Brayton, Bradford C.	100 Siders Pond Rd., Falmouth
Mrs. Ruth W.	
Barbara Ann	
Virginia Louise	
Brayton, Mrs. Roland W. a-d	62 Welles Ave.
Miss Josephine H.	Tal. 0868
Breed, Butler C. a	6 Cushing Ter.
Miss Jennie A. a-d	Col. 3796
Brooks, Miss Agnes A. a	1399 Blue Hill Ave., Milton
	Hyd. 1617
Brown, Mrs. Cornelia A. a	17 Alpha Rd.
Miss Ina C. a	Tal. 6498
Brown, Elmer R. a-c-n	6 De Wolf St.
Mrs. Dora a-g	
Ralph b-n	
Doris b-f-h-i	
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Mrs. Shirley H.	Par. 0551-J
Stanley Herbert	

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Miss Hattie a Col. 2722  
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Ralph a-c  
Frances  
John a-c  
Lillian  
Bullock, Miss Mary C. a-d ..... 23 Hinckley St.  
Col. 0905  
Burns, Mrs. Josephine F. a-d ..... Mounds, Oklahoma  
Burns, Miss Marjorie a ..... 437 Columbia Rd.  
Burr, Mrs. Marjorie S. a ..... 50 Glen Rd., Winchester  
Burton, Joseph W. ..... 12 Greenmount St.  
Mrs. Louise A.  
Joseph b  
Alice b  
Busiek, Kurt G. ..... 219 Savin Hill Ave.  
Mrs. Dorothy d Col. 2366  
Urban D.  
William S. b-m  
Dorothy F. b-h-m  
Robert D.  
Betty Jane  
Don K.  
Joel

C

Campbell, Mrs. Jean ..... 491 Quincy St.  
Jean J. b  
Lisbeth M. b  
James B.  
Cann, Clifford N. a-c ..... 3 Arlington St., Cambridge  
Mrs. Avis W. a-d Kir. 4364  
Robert N.  
Cann, David H. a ..... 165 Elliot Ave., North Quincy  
Mrs. Grace E. a  
Cann, Miss Edna M. a ..... 2 Rock Ter.  
Tal. 8469  
Carr, Miss Louise L. a ..... 195 Ashmont St.  
Tal. 3311  
Chapman, Mrs. Mary A. a ..... 1284 Dorchester Ave.  
Frederic L. b-n  
Eva R. a\*-b-f-i-j  
William L. b  
Anna P. b

Chase, Clarence M.		268 Savin Hill Ave.
Mrs. Clarence M.		Col. 3812
Nathan		
Chase, C. Melville	a	213 Union Ave., Framingham
Mrs. C. Melville		
Scott Melville		
Chase, Mrs. Rena A.	a-d	195 Ashmont St.
		Tal. 7177
Cheney, John E.	a-l	212 Savin Hill Ave.
Mrs. Alice R.	a-l	Col. 2141
Carol		
Herbert Raymond		
Chipman, Fred V.		24 Beaumont St.
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Ciriack, Ernest Robert	a*-b	61 Grampian Way
		Col. 4101
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Mrs. Jennie B.	k	Gra. 3607
Roger		
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Mrs. Ruth Elizabeth	a-d	Col. 6565
Clapp, Henry S.	a	Durham, N. H.
Mrs. Edna B.		
Clapp, Roger	a	Orono, Maine
Mrs. Grace	a	
Clapp, Sidney K.	a	197 Washington Ave.,
Mrs. Mary R.	a	Kingston, N. Y.
Clark, Mrs. Belle R.	a-d	8 Boutwell St.
		Tal. 8684
Cochran, Paul B.		296 Savin Hill Ave.
Mrs. Marguerite	d	
Beverly	b-f-h-i-j	
Carol Ann	b	
Colburn, Miss Marion		23 Long Ave., Allston
		Sta. 4587
Comins, Miss Sara	a	12 Lombard St.
		Tal. 2881
Constantine, Mrs. Iona		19 Harvard St.
Robert	l-m	Col. 6905
Lawrence	b-m	
Coulter, Joseph E.	c	14 Bayside St.
Mrs. Joseph E.		Gen. 7626
Miss Jean		

Coyle, Mrs. Margaret ..... 17 Hancock St.  
James b  
Alexander b  
Hugh b  
Thomas  
Jean b  
Crocker, Paul E. a-k ..... 40 Nehoiden Rd., Waban  
Mrs. Celine D. a-k ..... Las. 4667  
Paul E., Jr.  
Jane  
June  
Cummings, Mrs. Elizabeth S. a-d ..... 112 Tonawanda St.  
Col. 5565  
Cummings, Horton G. ..... 19 Larchmont St.  
Miss Lavinia  
Cushing, Miss Susan T. a-d ..... Whitefield Hall,  
19 Garden St., Cambridge  
Kir. 4521  
Cutter, Walter H. a-c ..... 114 Canton Ave., Milton  
Mrs. Caroline F. a-d ..... Blu. 0740

## D

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Daniels, Paul ..... 3 Arion St.  
Mrs. Madeleine  
Louis Edward  
Davis, Charles H. ..... 71 Waldeck St.  
Mrs. Harriet C. a-d ..... Col. 4137  
Davis, Cutter Pierce a ..... 19 East Ave., Springville, N. Y.  
Mrs. Carolyn Kittinger  
Davis, Ernest L. F. ..... 10 Myrtlebank Ave.  
Mrs. Dorothy a-d ..... Tal. 6534  
DeLew, Elmer ..... 227 Bradford St., Everett  
Mrs. Nadine Young a ..... Eve. 0236-W  
Robert Charles  
Bruce Stevens  
Denton, Miss Susan E. a-d ..... 16 Brewster Ter., Brookline  
Asp. 1343  
Doherty, Mrs. Helen Goodwin a ..... 29 Humphrey St.  
Donelson, Miss Florence P. a ..... 4 Rosedale St.  
Tal. 0217  
Dorr, Mrs. Nettie E. a-d ..... 213 Savin Hill Ave.  
Miss Phyllis a-l ..... Col. 1129

Douglas, Dr. Charles J. c ..... 23 Claybourne St.  
Col. 1336  
Douglas, Harold W. c-1 ..... 16 Arundel Ter., Newton  
Big. 8617  
Dudley, Miss Gertrude E. ..... 74 Lyndhurst St.  
Tal. 0734  
Dunlap, Miss Anna a ..... 143 Tonawanda St.

## E

Eaton, Miss Ethel d ..... 28 Pennsylvania Ave.,  
Newton Upper Falls  
Echenagucia, Frank H. a ..... 24 Everett Ave.  
Mrs. Adeline a Gen. 2236  
Helena Lucille a-m  
Priscilla Mabel a\*-m  
Ellis, Mrs. Esther ..... 385 Columbia Rd.  
Grace  
Richard Lee b-o  
Ellis, Louis ..... 112 Adams St.  
Mrs. Ann Gen. 6016  
Richard b  
Ellis, Miss Mary G. d ..... 27 Linnæan St., Cambridge  
Kir. 8017  
Emerson, Miss Margaret D. ..... 209 Savin Hill Ave.  
Col. 0542  
Emerson, Mrs. Mary O. a ..... 177 Washington St.,  
Wellesley Hills  
Estabrook, Mrs. Amy Lillian a ..... 17 Leedsville St.  
Estey, George T. a ..... 43 Clarkson St.  
Mrs. Margaret E. a-d-g Col. 5028  
Pauline b-m  
Peggy Ann b

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Richard K. a Ken. 3030  
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Fay, Frederic H. a-c ..... 227 Savin Hill Ave.  
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Mrs. Dorothy Finestein  
Miss Elizabeth h-l

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Miss Anna P. a  
Miss Florence E. a

Florian, Kenneth . . . . . 17 Beaumont St.  
Mrs. Lenore M. a-l Tal. 1846  
Linda Ann b

Flynn, Mrs. Florence a . . . . . 138 Pleasant St.

Ford, Mrs. Marion T. . . . . 32 Templeton St.  
Tal. 2611

Forsyth, Fletcher Perkins . . . 11 Pleasant St., Franklin, N. H.  
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Hin. 0646

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Franklin, Mrs. Helen . . . . . 96 Olney St.  
Richard b  
Donald b

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Virginia W.

Frederick, Walter F. a-c . . . . . 30 Puritan Ave.  
Tal. 9836

French, George A. a . . . . . 29 High St.  
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Miss Helen E. a-b-h-l  
Miss Arline Lucia a-e-l  
Marcia Agnes a\*-b-e-l-m  
Eunice Roba a\*-b-f-h-i-m  
George A., Jr.

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Wat. 8460

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Com. 5438

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Jam. 1040-J

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Par. 4720

Fuller, Miss Jessie W. a-d-k . . . . . 14 Merlin St.  
Tal. 2974

# G

- Gambell, Miss Edna M. a ..... 61 Linden St.  
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Charles b-n  
Blanche  
Irene  
Gettemy, Mrs. Bertha C. a-d ..... 212 Savin Hill Ave.  
Col. 2141  
Gfroerer, Mrs. Emily W. a-d ..... 50 Richfield St.  
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Gfroerer, Rudolph a 1197 California Rd., Bldg. 4, Apt. 23,  
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Daniel R.  
Helen L.  
David W.  
Gilbert, Miss Jennie L. a-d ..... 47 Ocean St.  
Tal. 4862  
Gilliland, Augustus R. c ..... 8 Pleasant St.  
Col. 8685  
Girard, Miss Ruth ..... 119 Cushing Ave.  
Col. 1838  
Glidden, Miss Alva B. a ..... 10 Cordis St., Charlestown  
Cha. 0510  
Glidden, George C. a-c ..... 164 South St., Hingham  
Mrs. Barbara R. a-d ..... Hin. 0731-M  
Miss Barbara C. a-l  
Glover, Frank S. a-c ..... 53 Sagamore St.  
Mrs. Addie S. a-d ..... Col. 2173  
Gnospelius, Erik ..... 11 Arnold Rd., Atlantic  
Mrs. Lydia Lapworth a ..... Pre. 0086  
Goetz, Miss Ruth A. ..... 425 Quincy St.  
Goodwin, Harry ..... 1 Swan St.  
Mrs. Jean  
Lawrence Elwood b  
Gore, Mrs. Oscar J. a-d ..... 39 Mellen St.  
Gowen, Ernest L. a ..... 677 Dudley St.  
Mrs. Mary E. a-d ..... Hig. 2033  
Ernest L., Jr. a\*-b-m  
George Franklin b-m  
William Irving b-m

Grant, John	.....	21 Payson Ave. Col. 6893
Grant, Miss Rita Bellows	a-b-d	67 Taylor St., Wollaston Pre. 6576
Green, John	.....	6 East St. Col. 9041
Mrs. Margaret J.		
Gladys	a*-b-f-i-j	
Greene, Mrs. Mabel	.....	75 Adams St.
Dorothy Marion	a*-b-f-i-j	
Barbara Mae	b-i	
Grover, Harry F.	.....	20 Larchmont St. Mrs. Harry F. Tal. 0432
Grover, Howard Irving	.....	37 Mt. Everett St. Ruth Frances b-f Col. 8544
Marjorie Elizabeth	b-f	
Guild, Miss E. Florence	a	21 Joy St., Boston
Guthrie, Mrs. Mary E.	a-d	23 Long Ave., Allston Sta. 4587
Guyer, Edgar B.	a	213 Savin Hill Ave. Mrs. Augusta I. a-d Col. 1129

## H

Haight, Miss Catherine	a-l	..... 35 Pierce Ave. Tal. 4693
Hale, Miss Gertrude	.....	60 Percival St.
Hallett, Winthrop A.	a	..... 74 Lyndhurst St. Mrs. Rosella a Tal. 0734
Miss Lorian G.	a-k	
Hamlet, Mrs. L. O.	.....	109 Greenbrier St. Miss Alice Marion a-b-j-l Tal. 1249
Hanna, Herbert	.....	750 Tremont St., Boston Mrs. Herbert
Harris, Miss Miriam	a-d	..... 26 Wyoming St., Roxbury
Haseltine, Emery	a-c	..... 71 Waldeck St. Mrs. Hester Davis a-b-d-i Col. 4137
Calvin Davis	b-m-n	
Harriet Cutter	b-i	
Robert Pierce	b	
Hastings, Mrs. E. B.	d	..... 7 Bedford St., Quincy
Hastings, Harold	.....	8 Evandale Ter. Mrs. Gertrude V. a-d-f Col. 4610
Miss Fay Dick		
Edward Harold	a*-m	

Hayward, Albert Huntress	a-k	7 Kipling Rd., Wellesley Hills Wel. 1063
Mrs. Beatrice Lee	a-k	
Carleton Lee		
June		
Hazergian, Esther	b-h-i	14 Mt. Everett St.
Heald, Miss Virginia	a-l	241 Savin Hill Ave. Col. 1887
Hersey, Mrs. Ada Linwood	Choir	162 South St., Hingham Hin. 1072
Hersey, George M., D.M.D.		172 South St., Hingham
Mrs. Gertrude		
Miss Elizabeth W.	a	
Hewson, James G.		216 Savin Hill Ave. Col. 2617
Mrs. Gladys E.	d	
John Richard	b-m-n-o	
Hewson, Marshall V.	a-l-n	108 Alexander St.
Mrs. Alberta M.	a-e-l	
Hewson, Carl E.	a-l	5 Puritan Ave. Col. 5581
Mrs. Hortense Young	a-e-l	
Higgins, Dana		46 Barry St. Col. 5270
Mrs. Dana		
Higgins, Percy W.	a	46 Barry St. Col. 5270
Mrs. Martha D.	a-d	
Higgins, Richard		195 East Squantum St., Atlantic
Mrs. Irene		
Richard William		
Hill, Mrs. Pearl E.	d	62 Charlotte St. Tal. 7297
Hille, Charles L.	a	41 Warren Ave., Mansfield
Hoag, Oliver	a-c-l	30 Bay View Rd., Wellesley
Mrs. Lucille Gulliver	l	
Hoag, Roland Boyden	a	836 Main St., Reading
Mrs. Dorothy Madeline	a	Rea. 0418-W
Martha		
William Gilpatrick		
Hoag, Thomas W.	a-c	253 Savin Hill Ave. Col. 4334
Mrs. Marion W.	a-d	
Elizabeth Louise	b-i	
Gilbert	b	
Hoag, William	a-c	210 Savin Hill Ave. Col. 4674
Mrs. Ruth W.	a-d	
Holbrook, Pinckney	a	50 State St., Boston Laf. 2455
Mrs. Sybil C.		
Hooke, Mrs. Fannie M.	a	6 Calumet St., Winchester Win. 1417

Hooke, Robert Gay	a	492 Highland Ave., Upper Montclair, N. J.
Mrs. Katherine G.	a	
Lois Gay		
Sylvia Moseley		
Richard Harris		
Roger LeBaron		
Hough, Charles T.	c	49 Brook Hill Rd., Milton
Houghton, Mrs. Bessie M.	a-d	21 Boylston St., Jamaica Plain Arn. 2393
Houghton, Mrs. Ethel G.		24 Mather St. Gen. 6266
Hudson, Mrs. Adelbert L.	a-d	257 Savin Hill Ave. Col. 6983
Miss Ethel E.	a-k	
Humphrey, Mrs. Leavitt F.	d	33 Payson Ave. Col. 4594
Humphreys, C. Blake	a	77 Evans Rd., Brookline
Humphreys, Mrs. Susan M.	a-d	77 Evans Rd., Brookline Asp. 7538

## I

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Ken. 0491

## J

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Jacobsen, Iver T.	c-l	91 Aldrich St., Roslindale Par. 0698-M
Jameson, William		Orleans, Mass.
Jenness, Mrs. Georgia May	....	446 Prospect St., Norwood
Jennings, Miss Harriet	d	16 Brewster Ter., Brookline
Johnson, Mrs. Nancy M.		46 Barry St. Gen. 3214
Frank Albert	a	
Miss Kathryn Harriet	a-l	
Johnson, Walter		119 Evans St. Col. 4647
Mrs. Walter		
Johnston, Mrs. Robert		54 East St.
Johnston, Roderick		24 Mt. Ida Rd. Tal. 7728
Mrs. Lillian		
Edward Thorsen	b-o	
Mary Jane	b-h-m	
Audrey M.	b-f-i	

## K

Kammler, Miss M.	Louise	a	Halifax, Mass.
Miss Agnes M.	A.	a	Bryantville 302-21
Karman, James			41 Richfield St.
Mrs. Mary			
Nicholas Harding	b		
Socrates Jacob	b		
John			
Keeler, Paul R.	c	16 Kenneth St., West Roxbury	
Mrs. Emily E.			Par. 4039-M
Paul R.			
Keim, William, Jr.		39 Mellen St.	
Mrs. William	d		Col. 7548
Carl G.			
Donald D.			
Nancy E.			
Kelton, Miss Addie E.	a-d	419 Columbia Rd.	
			Col. 2157
Kempster, William R.		14 Thornley St.	
Mrs. Leila E.			Tal. 8595
Nancy L.	b-h		
Kenney, Miss Marie	W. E. Fernald School, Waverley, Mass.		
Kidby, Mrs. Florence		5 Melanside Ter.	
Kidd, A. Lawrence		251 Savin Hill Ave.	
Mrs. Hattie Vinal	a		Col. 8943
Kimball, Mrs. Frederick P.	Choir	44 Park St., Dedham	
			Ded. 0742
Kimball, George E.		40 Welles Ave.	
Mrs. George E.			Tal. 2811
King, Mrs. Mary Fifield	a-d	77 Morton Rd., Milton	
			Blu. 1131
King, Miss Mary L.		38 Day St., West Somerville	
Kingman, William F.	c	49 Old Morton Rd., Milton	
Mrs. Lena			Blu. 1968
Miss Marion C.			
Knight, Miss Annie L.	a	18 Algonquin St.	
Kohls, George		39 Adams St.	
Mrs. Louise	g		Gen. 4886
Marie	b-f-h		
Koyl, John		21 Boylston St., Jamaica Plain	
Mrs. Marion Houghton	a-d-l		Arn. 2393
Krohn, Roger A.	a		
Mrs. Hilda J.	a	15 Everton St.	
Roger J.	b		
Kulkmann, Frederick W.	c	88 Day St., Jamaica Plain	

## L

Lanning, Mrs. Susie H.	a-d	307 Ashmont St. Tal. 2806
Leach, Mrs. George E.	a	62 Welles Ave. Tal. 0868
Leavitt, John S.	a	23 Salcombe St. Mrs. Ellen C. a-d Col. 7481
Lee, Mrs. S. Helen		20 Ware St., Cambridge
Lewis, Miss Marion K.	a-d	121 Canton Ave., Milton Miss Bertha R. a-d Blu. 2006
Libbey, Miss Addie T.	d	1001 Adams St. Miss Emma J. Blu. 1119
Lincoln, Danforth B.	a	29 Percival St. Mrs. Eleanor Forbes Col. 9897
		Edward Forbes
		Richard Newton
		Martha
Lincoln, Newton E.	a	2411 Rose St., Kalamazoo, Mich. Mrs. Thelma R. Nicholas D.
Locke, Miss Gladys	a	33 Grampian Way
Lopez, Mrs. May E.	a	40 Standish Ave., Wollaston
Loring, Henry E.	c	974 Main St., Hingham Mrs. Bessie Reed a Hin. 0961-W
Loring, Julian C.		1062 Main St., Hingham
		Mrs. Olive E.
		Warren J.
		Claire F.
		Keith Blair
Loring, Walter D.	a-c	101 Central Ave., Milton Mrs. Alzaleen M. a Blu. 7765
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Lundberg, Carl		17 Savin Hill Ave.
Lutz, August A.		57 Olney St. Miss Louise Emma a-e-l Col. 9803

## M

MacDonald, Mrs. Lillian V.	a-d	22 Radford Lane Tal. 1170
MacMillan, Roscoe P.		10 Barry St. Mrs. Annie
		Barbara Ann b-f-j
		John Edward b
		Herbert b
		Jean Frances

Maier, William	19 Richfield St.
Mrs. Annie	
Marie b	
William E. b	
Mallock, Miss Emma L. a	12 Kirkland Place, Cambridge Kir. 1199
Marco, William	77 Hamilton St.
Mrs. Helen	
Phyllis Joan b	
Lorraine Virginia h	
Rosemary b-f-h	
Marden, Lassell Edward	33 Oakland Ave., Bloomfield, N. J.
Mrs. Margaret R.	
Marr, Ben	1213 Dorchester Ave.
Mrs. Hazel	
Dixon b	
May, Fred G., Jr. a-c	25 Hendry St.
Mrs. Anna Tucker	Col. 0758
Mary Goddard	a*-b-h-i-m
Martha	b-h-i
Louise Tucker	b
Maylandt, Theodore	61 Grampian Way
Mrs. Ottilie E. a-d	Col. 4101
McNaught, Mrs. Mary A. a-d	186 Harvard St.
Wallace M. a-c-l	Tal. 8449
McNulty, James	28 Clarkson St.
Mrs. Helen	
Evelyn b	
Jean b	
Pauline b	
Merrow, Arthur S.	380 Ashmont St.
Mrs. Helen T. a-d	Tal. 8236
Dorothy a-e-l	
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# THE STORY OF FIRST PARISH CHURCH IN DORCHESTER

Founded 1630

Alice Marion Hamlet

*"Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations."*  
— Psalm 90.

The span of more than three centuries is only a moment of time as history records itself, but to the human mind which reviews it it is a period of exciting, interesting events, freighted with far-reaching and inspiring portents for the future. As we pass through the hospitable doors of First Parish Church on Sunday mornings, we enter a sanctuary of Christian love and service conceived by the hearts of God-fearing men and women of three centuries ago and dedicated to the principles of liberty upon which our nation has been reared. It is truly a "house of the Lord" which has been reconsecrated to freedom of conscience and worship by every successive generation of faithful worshippers.

The story of First Parish Church, begun so long ago, is still in the making. We, who day by day add our own lines of joy and endeavor to its pages, pause to remember the people and events which are an inspiration to our own on-going.

The first figure who comes before us in retrospect is Rev. John White of Dorchester, England, the spiritual progenitor of our church. Though a minister of the established Church of England, his sympathies were profoundly with the Puritan movement. Through his unremitting zeal a little group of one hundred and forty Puritans finally gathered in Plymouth, England, for a day of prayer and blessing before leaving the homeland for the shores of the New World.

On March 30, 1630, the *Mary and John* set sail, carrying its precious cargo, an organized church of members, officers and covenant and two ministers, Rev. John Maverick and Rev. John Warham. For ten weeks the little vessel rode the waves, the wail of the wind and rushing of tempestuous waters mingling with the daily prayers and worship of the voyagers.

The first landing was made at Nantasket and explorations were made along the Charles River. Settlement was finally

established in Dorchester near what is now the corner of Pleasant and Cottage Streets.

Sunday, June 6, 1630, can be said to mark the founding of both First Parish Church and the town of Dorchester. It was a day of worship and the little band of travelers from the *Mary and John* gathered in the open groves of their new land for a service of thanksgiving, voicing their gratitude in the words of the Ninetieth Psalm.

The first church building was a rude cabin of logs thatched with grass. It served not only as a place of worship but as a military storehouse. Here on the first day of the week the colonists held their church services; on the second day their town meetings.

It would be difficult for us to imagine the rigors of those first winters which made ravages upon the resources of the brave little group of settlers. Their indomitable spirit, however, reënforced by their sense of the immediate presence of God, prevailed over every hardship.

As other boats continued to bring new settlers from England, the colony became overcrowded and in 1635 a large number of the original settlers, accompanied by Rev. John Warham, migrated to the Connecticut Valley where they founded the church and town of Windsor, Conn. This occasioned the reorganization of the Dorchester church. At this time the Rev. Richard Mather, lately arrived from England, where he had been driven from his pulpit at Toxteth, was installed as its minister.

For thirty-three years Mr. Mather served the church in the town of Dorchester. A courageous leader and a man of integrity and vision, he was conspicuous in the ecclesiastical and civil affairs of the colony. It is interesting to note that Richard Mather was the first of the renowned Mather family of New England. Four of his six sons entered the ministry, Increase Mather becoming president of Harvard College. In our own time the Laymen's League Chapter of First Parish Church is proud to bear the name of Richard Mather.

Rev. Josiah Flint of Braintree succeeded Mr. Mather and served as minister for nine years. His death at the age of thirty-five terminated one of the shortest pastorates in the early history of the church. Rev. John Danforth, next in ministerial line, remained as minister for forty-eight years. The ministry of Rev. Jonathan Bowman continued for forty-three years. The Rev. Thaddeus Mason Harris also served forty-three years and Rev. Nathaniel Hall forty years. To quote from an address given at the two hundred and fiftieth

anniversary of First Church and Parish of Dorchester, " If the long pastorates of its ministers show that they were faithful unto the church, they also show that the church was faithful unto its ministers. Steadfastness, love, charity, and toleration have always marked the attitude of this church toward its pastors."

First Parish Church has always had a succession of ministers who have upheld the highest standard of Christian devotion and saintly living. Following Rev. Nathaniel Hall were: Samuel June Barrows 1876-1880; Christopher Rhodes Eliot 1882-1893; Eugene Rodman Shippen 1894-1907; Roger Sawyer Forbes 1908-1917; Harry Foster Burns 1918-1921; and Adelbert Lathrop Hudson 1921-1938, whose spirit shines in the memory of his devoted congregation as that of a well-beloved friend and guide of the parish. Lyman Vincent Rutledge acted as colleague to Dr. Hudson from 1921 to 1927. In 1937 Robert A. Storer was called to assist Dr. Hudson, becoming the minister of the church in 1938.

For 176 years the Meeting House Hill Church was the only one in the town of Dorchester. The Parish limits were originally the same as those of the town, including the present territory of Milton, Canton, Stoughton, Sharon, Foxboro, South Boston, and Squantum. In 1805 the growth of the congregation led to the founding of a second church. Another meeting house was erected in what is now Codman Square, and Second Church in Dorchester, under the leadership of Dr. John Codman, began its existence.

Religious unity in Dorchester has always been remarkable and most cordial relations between First Parish Church and Second Church have continuously been maintained.

In early times a close affiliation between church and town existed. The first town meeting of modern times was held in the first meeting house of Dorchester. The town contributed to the support of the church and voted with the church to call its ministers. No man was a free man unless he was a church member.

Not only in civil affairs but in personal matters as well the church held strong public authority to administer discipline by "admonishing" and, if necessary, excommunicating those deemed offenders against the community. In 1667 John Merrifield was called before the church "for contempt and slighting the power of the church in not appearing formerly, though often called and sent unto." In 1688 Consider Atherton was admonished for his inconsiderate appetite.

First Parish Church had no Sunday School, but great care was taken to catechize the children not only in public but in visits from house to house by the elders and pastors.

Our fathers, stern in duty, courageous in the daily hazards of life in a new land, were men of faith and prayer. Special days of thanksgiving, fasting, and supplication were frequently appointed, the prayers of which were followed by deeds of charity and mercy in collections for the poor.

One scarcely looks to colonial days for æsthetic values in art or music. Unbending devotion to the will of God be tokened more of austerity than beauty to the Puritan mind, but music seems to have held an important place in the worship of the church in Dorchester. The Bible and hymn book were its only ritual. The first hymn book was probably a version of the Psalms used in the Church of England, but in 1639 Mr. Mather, in conjunction with the ministers of the Roxbury church, Mr. Welde and Mr. Eliot, compiled the *Bay Psalm Book*, the first book to be printed in the colonies.

Three generations of the Pierce family led the music in First Parish Church for a period of a hundred years. The choirs were large, sometimes numbering seventy singers, and they were often accompanied by an orchestra which included the bass viol, clarinet, bassoon, and flute. This church retained its orchestra until 1841 when an organ was introduced. The present organ was installed in 1897.

Today's meeting house itself, in its simplicity of architecture, has reflected the rugged and noble spirit of the men who founded the church. The log structure of 1631, situated on "Allen's Plain" near the corner of Pleasant and Cottage Streets, was succeeded in 1645 by a new meeting house close by for which an appropriation of 250 pounds was made. Twenty-five years later the building was moved to Meeting House Hill on the east side of Winter Street. The third church building was erected on the northwest corner of Church and Winter Streets during Mr. Flint's ministry. The first assembly in this structure was held November 17, 1678.

The fourth meeting house was built in 1743 a little south of the one that preceded it. This building had a tower 14 feet square and a steeple 104 feet high to the vane. As the law required that each citizen take part in or contribute to "raising the Meeting-hows," church raisings were always momentous occasions in the town.

A violent storm in September 1815 injured the church to such an extent that it was considered necessary to build another. On May 16, 1816, the cornerstone of the new edifice

was laid with appropriate ceremonies. A procession of Parish Committee, artificers and Masons was formed and Rev. Thaddeus Mason Harris opened the service with prayer. Dr. Harris was prominent in Masonic circles and the Masonic ritual was in evidence throughout the ceremony.

A serious fire so damaged the church in 1896 that a new building, the sixth and present one, was erected upon the foundation of the 1816 structure. Another impressive ceremony took place at the laying of the cornerstone in which the Masons of Union Lodge took an important part. Dedication services were held on May 6, 1897.

The history of First Parish Church and the history of our country have always been closely associated. In the Revolution of 1775 the churchmen of Dorchester took a vigorous stand for freedom and made the supreme sacrifices demanded of a liberty-loving people. Rev. Moses Everett served the church in the anxious days of the War, later journeying to Philadelphia to participate in the Continental Congress. The anti-slavery agitation found the members of First Parish Church upholding the principle that "All men are created free and equal," and making no distinction of race or color in their membership. The Civil War, the Spanish War, and the first World War summoned the young men of First Parish, who answered the call with distinguished and valiant service.

We hear much in these days of "religion at work" and of "practical Christianity." Members of First Parish Church have always worshipped not only with the heart but with the hand. Early in its history the women of the church formed the first women's society of the country, a group which foreshadowed the Women's Alliance. During the Civil War the Benevolent Society was organized among the women of First Parish for practical work in the community. It is still active in its ministrations to the public good. In the time of Rev. John Danforth, about 1700, the Religious Society of Young Men was formed which survived for more than one hundred years and which was the precursor of the present chapter of the Unitarian Laymen's League.

First Parish Church has a working covenant but has never had a creed. As our fathers crossed the ocean, motivated by the desire for religious liberty for themselves, so we, through years of change and growth, adhere to their principles and seek liberty for all. When the "Unitarian Controversy" arose in 1819, dividing the New England Congregationalists into Unitarian and Trinitarian, First Parish Church passed quietly into the Unitarian position.

Remembering John Robinson's words to the Pilgrims as they left England in 1620, "That the Lord has more truth to break forth out of his Holy Word," First Parish Church requires no theological tests for membership but opens wide its doors to those who, "In the love of truth and the spirit of Jesus Christ, unite for the worship of God and the service of man."

We of First Parish know that, to quote a former minister of this church, "The power which has guided it through so many years of change can guide it in the years to come." With grateful hearts for benefits we have received in the past and with consecration to the service we can render in the present and future, may we join in this same minister's prayer: —

GOD BE WITH US AS HE WAS WITH OUR FATHERS.  
GOD SAVE THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

GOD SAVE OUR NATION.

## PURPOSE AND MEMBERSHIP

The purpose of First Parish Church as stated in its by-laws is to maintain religious worship and teaching in fellowship with other Unitarian Societies; and to serve the community in which it is placed in ways which may from time to time be determined as appropriate and desirable.

Unitarianism is the religion of reason and the human heart. It is the religion of love to God and love to man. It stands for deeds, not dogmas; for hope and human betterment, for freedom of thought and progress in the development of the spiritual life. We are bound by no creed. Unitarians are free to think through their own doctrines, free to accept and free to reject. Although it is not essential for us to be in agreement as to specific statements of faith, we are united, one and all, in a positive purpose — in the growth of the kingdom of God on earth.

To every one we offer the bond of our fellowship. Here you may enjoy true intellectual freedom. Here you may give yourself to activities designed to create a more wholesome, a more democratic community and nation. Here you may share companionship with a people to whom the Brotherhood of Man is a practical, dynamic philosophy.

If you wish to share this faith and if no stronger ties hold you elsewhere, you are invited to speak to our minister or any member of the church and the opportunity for membership will be granted you.

## ORGANIZATIONS

### CHURCH SCHOOL

**Kindergarten and Primary.** Mrs. Hester Davis Haseltine, Superintendent.

Meets every Sunday morning, October through May, at eleven o'clock. For young children from three through eight years of age.

*Purpose:* To train young children in the art of living together, to give instruction in worship, and to help them in discovering the wonders of the world. Expressional projects, rhythmic work and creative worship techniques are used.

**Upper School.** Rev. Robert Storer, Superintendent.

Meets every Sunday morning, October through May, at quarter of ten. For boys and girls who are nine years of age and older.

*Purpose:* To give instruction in religion, to interpret the Old and New Testaments from a cultural and historical point of view, to teach the world's great religions, and to help pupils gain a thorough knowledge of Unitarianism. We hope that our young people will graduate from our Church School not only well informed but strengthened in ideals and with a deeper sense of reverence for all mankind.

#### *Courses*

**Junior Department** Ages 9-10  
Religions of primitive peoples.  
Beginnings of earth and sky.  
Lives of New Testament heroes.

**Intermediate Department** Ages 11-12  
How the early Hebrews lived and learned.  
Old Testament heroes.  
Egyptian religion.

**Senior Department** Ages 13-15  
Study of Christian sects.  
Comparative studies in religion.  
Ethics.

**Young People's Class** Ages 15-30  
A three year course covering the Old Testament, the New Testament, and the history of Unitarianism.

**RICHARD MATHER CHAPTER *of the*  
UNITARIAN LAYMEN'S LEAGUE**

**Meets the fourth Tuesday of each month —  
September through April**

The Laymen's League is a non-sectarian organization which is open to all men of the parish and their friends. The purpose of the meetings is to encourage fellowship and to sponsor talks and discussions of an educational nature.

Each meeting is preceded by an informal supper at six-thirty which is followed by a period of recreation and sociability. At eight o'clock a short business meeting is held, followed by programs arranged by members of the Chapter. The programs are designed to appeal to men of all ages and walks of life. They combine music, entertainment, current topics of interest to all, and discussion groups. Members of the Chapter, as well as outside speakers, contribute to the programs.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to visit us. We feel sure that attendance at one meeting will convince you that you should be counted on as an active member of the Chapter. Annual dues are one dollar a year. Members of the Chapter are members also of the national organization, the Unitarian Laymen's League.

# FIRST PARISH DORCHESTER ALLIANCE

## Welcome

We extend a cordial invitation to all women in the Parish, whether members of the Alliance or not, to attend our meetings. Let all who read this consider it a friendly hand extended by this Alliance Branch.

### *Object*

To advance the interests of First Parish Church, and to promote Unitarian faith, fellowship and charitable work.

### *Membership*

The payment of one dollar annually admits to membership in both this branch and the General Alliance of Unitarian Women.

### *Meetings*

The regular meetings followed by a social hour are held on the first Wednesday of each month from October through April, inclusive, at two o'clock. The Annual Meeting held on the first Wednesday in May is an all-day meeting.

The meetings of the Benevolent Committee are held on the second Wednesday from 10.30 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Social gatherings are held the third Wednesday, these being arranged by the Ways and Means groups.

## EVENING ALLIANCE

With the purpose of furthering Unitarianism as an active factor in everyday life, and bringing together the young women of the church and community in service to the church and to our neighbors, we meet the first Monday evening of the month in the Parish Hall for business and sociability.

We do believe that by working together in helping others and sociability among ourselves, we are helping to realize in part the most important need of today — Brotherly Love.

## JUNIOR ALLIANCE

The Junior Alliance is an organization composed of our own church girls between the ages of eleven and eighteen.

Our objectives are:

1. To quicken the religious life in our young people.
2. To make them loyal to their church.
3. To give them opportunities to express their loyalty through service.
4. To train them to be efficient and loyal Alliance members for the future.

There are at present twenty members who meet every Wednesday evening with the exception of the first Wednesday in the month. Practical expressions of service among members are as follows: Teaching in the Church School Kindergarten; singing in the Junior Choir; waiting on table at Parish suppers; furnishing Christmas baskets for needy families; assisting with the church office clerical work; and helping with the work of the Prendergast Preventorium and the Baldwinville Hospital. Many gifts have been presented to the church and the Church School by the Junior Alliance such as: material for Junior Choir robes, an elaborate manger scene for the Christmas season, and money for the Organ Fund.

The Junior Alliance stands ready to be of service to the church and to the Women's Alliance. You are cordially invited to attend our meetings.

Sponsored originally by Mrs. Gertrude Hastings the group is now under the leadership of Mrs. Charles E. Walker.

## NATHANIEL HALL SOCIETY

The life of the young people is represented chiefly in the Nathaniel Hall Society which conducts a service of worship followed by an inspirational talk or discussion on the first and third Sunday evenings of the month at seven-thirty. Occasionally these are preceded by a light supper at six-thirty.

Social life is encouraged through socials held on the second Friday evening of the month and through special entertainments, hikes, and week-end parties.

The purpose of the Society is to create a spirit of comradeship, to help the young people in their personal religious problems and to develop a sense of loyalty to the church and to the community.

Philanthropic interest is expressed through gifts of money and service to local charities.

All young people of High School age and over are cordially invited to attend meetings and socials.

## **20 — 40 CLUB**

The 20—40 Club is a social group for those over twenty years of age and is intended to follow membership in the Nathaniel Hall Society.

Its purpose is to promote good fellowship and to stimulate interest in the church. The club makes regular contributions toward the support of the church.

Dances and supper meetings are held throughout the season.

Various members of the Nathaniel Hall Society and the 20—40 Club are members of the First Parish Bowling Team which meets at the Greenwood Alleys on Wednesday evenings at eight o'clock.

## **JUNIOR CHOIR**

Open to all young girls eleven and over. Meetings are held on Thursday afternoons at four o'clock. In addition to practice in singing, the girls are taught choric speech and rhythmic work in order that their participation in the Church School service of worship may be more dignified and meaningful. During the year the girls participate in the regular church service. Annually the girls enjoy the Junior Choir Festivals held by the Religious Education Department of the American Unitarian Association. The lovely blue robes worn by the choir are the gift of the Junior Alliance and were made by members of the Benevolent Committee of the Alliance.

Pins are awarded to the regular members of the choir who attend faithfully throughout the year. The ideal of beauty is upheld by all members.

Director: Mrs. Hester Davis Haseltine.

## **HEARERS AND DOERS**

Past and present members of the Senior Girls' Class of the Church School are eligible for membership in this group. As its name implies the Club was organized for the practical application of the ideal of service stressed in our church covenant and enjoined in James 1: 22: "Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only."

Meetings are held on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Leader: Miss Alice Marion Hamlet.

RICHARD MATHER TROOP, B. S. A.  
DORCHESTER NO. 5

Sponsored by the  
RICHARD MATHER CHAPTER of the U. L. L.

*Boy Scouts*

The Troop meets Monday evenings from 7.15 to 9.00 o'clock and is open to all boys from the ages of 12 to 18. The program is one of recreation, education, leadership and character building. It combines an indoor program with an outdoor program at our well-equipped camp in Dover, Massachusetts.

*Explorer Scouts*

The Explorers meet Monday evenings from 7.15 to 9.30 o'clock. This group is for Senior Scouts of 15 years and over who meet certain requirements of advancement in the Troop. Their program is more intense and advanced than that of the Troop. Membership is open to all boys of Senior age who meet the membership requirements.

*Sea Scouts*

The Sea Scouts meet Monday evenings from 8.00 to 10.00 o'clock. This program is open to all sea-minded Senior Scouts of 15 years and up. It is a program of action and study in all subjects pertaining to boats, boat handling, navigation, rules and regulations of the sea and all related subjects. Indoor education and practice is supplemented by cruises on boats under capable leadership. Mr. Robert E. Moffat is in charge of this group.

*Troop Committee:* Frank Gfroerer, Chairman; Frank L. Clapp, Delmont L. Ricker, Robert H. Simpson, Edward W. Brainerd.

*Scoutmaster:* Bertram F. Whitley, 2nd.

*Assistants:* Robert E. Moffat, Elmer R. Brown.

## GIRL SCOUTS

Girl Scouting has as its aim the development of girls along physical, mental, emotional, moral and spiritual lines, to the end that there may result, not only personally enriched individuals but also intelligently participating citizens in a democratic social order.

To the individual girl it offers interesting recreational activities, informal friendly relationships with older people, fun with others of her own age, and work in a group small enough for each girl to take a responsible part.

From seven through the teen age it aims to show a girl how to use in a practical way what she has already learned, to assist in developing abilities and appreciations as yet untrained, and best of all to help her develop a strong character, a healthy attitude toward life and an enduring set of values.

Junior Girl Scouts open to girls from 7 through 12.

Senior Girl Scouts open to girls from 13 on.

Miss Helen E. French, Senior Scout Leader.

## **FORBES CLUB**

Boys of the church and the neighborhood, below sixteen, may belong to the Forbes Club. This group serves the needs of young boys who wish to enjoy a less formal program than scouting. Under the leadership of Mr. Elmer Brown and occasional guest instructors the boys enjoy wrestling, boxing, tumbling, fencing, games, and harmonica band work. Here the boys of the neighborhood find companionship, healthful recreation and an opportunity to become useful citizens.

The Club meets every Thursday evening in the Parish House at seven-thirty. Athletic programs are followed by business meetings which are conducted by the boys. The Forbes Club is one of the oldest youth organizations in the church and it is with pride that the boys carry on the spirit of the group which is summarized in the words: "team play."

## SPECIAL CLUBS

### Meeting House Club

An organization of former and present members of the First Parish Church who meet once a month in members' homes. The Club at present has twenty members.

### Fifield Club

An unofficial group of neighborhood women who meet for the purpose of promoting sociability and helping the church.

### First Parish Bowling League

A Wednesday evening group of about twenty older young people who meet at the Greenwood Alleys for recreation and sociability.

### Hudson Club

Boys' basketball team meeting every Saturday evening through the winter months at the Greenwood Recreation Hall. A member of the Church League.

### First Parish Players

Girls' basketball team meeting on Monday evenings through the winter months at the Greenwood Recreation Hall. The team belongs to the Girls' Church League.

### Ballroom Assemblies

Instruction in ballroom deportment and in dancing is given on Friday afternoons at four o'clock to young boys and girls from 12 to 15 years of age.

Once a month throughout the winter groups of adults meet for instruction in country dancing under competent instruction. Dates are announced in the monthly calendar.

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*If you wish to receive the church calendar through the mail please notify the church office.*

# AMERICAN UNITARIAN ASSOCIATION

The First Parish Church in Dorchester is affiliated with the American Unitarian Association, and as one of the 352 active member churches, this church supports the Association and is served by it.

How does the Association serve our church, its organizations, and its individual members? Through its divisions and staff the Association is organized: —

## To help our children, young people, and leaders of church school and adult education work

The Division of Education develops creative activities and worship services which give children a real experience of religion. Curriculum planning, the Junior Choir Festival (in which our Junior Choir participates), religious pageantry (such as our Junior Choir girls shared in Miss Erika Thimey's program for the Religious Arts Guild during Anniversary Week), and literature for religious education (*Beacon Books in Religious Education*, the children's *Lenten Manual*, and books and free pamphlets) are among the contributions of the Division of Education which we can use. Mr. Ernest W. Kuebler, Director; Miss Frances Wood, Field Secretary; and Mrs. Sophia L. Fahs, Editor of Children's Material; are available for expert consultation.

The Unitarian Youth Commission coördinates young people's work throughout the denomination. It trains for youth leadership, makes field visits to local groups, extends student work, and publishes material for young people. It arranges summer conferences with lectures, workshops, and group discussions, conducts summer preaching and student centers and conferences, and has established a loan library of recordings, all of which we may use. The Executive Director, Mr. Stephen H. Fritchman, and his field workers are ready to visit our church and give us their help.

Adult Education and Social Relations groups can receive guidance and discussion material from the Division of Education. Mrs. Frank B. Frederick is ready to advise and help us, providing program suggestions, printed material, discussion questions, bibliographies on social, moral, ethical, and liberal religious issues, and speakers. The Division also develops and provides material for the Partnership Plan.

Through institutes and regional conferences, and pamphlets on "I Experience Religion with My Child," parents are helped in their plans to teach and live religion in the home.

## To help our church and its organizations in promotion and publicity work

The Division of Promotion and Publications publishes books on religious education, and manuals, anthologies, and essays on religion for general readers.

The Division prepares specially for individual churches direct mail campaigns, display posters, special programs, newspaper advertising copy, layouts for letterheads, cards, and bulletins, free literature displays and distribution plans, special sermon series announcements, finance and membership campaigns, radio programs and promotion, year books, and church directories. It furnishes cost estimates and designs free of charge, and supplies plates and printing at cost.

The Division writes and places newspaper releases for regular and special church and conference programs.

Through the Book Store our minister, church school teachers and superintendent, and church members can get new and old books on liberal religion.

The *Christian Register* is edited and published by the Division, and gives news of all liberal church activities, practical suggestions on churchmanship, and stimulating material for general reading.

The Division publishes the Wayside Pulpit quotations.

During 1940-41 the Division again produced Sunday afternoon radio programs, entitled "Religion at Work." Our minister participated in several of these programs, and one of his broadcasts was published by the Division.

The Division publishes pamphlets and literature which our church distributes free of charge to its members and visitors.

Dr. Everett Moore Baker, Director, and Miss Mildred Boie and Miss Irene Nute, his assistants, will gladly give their service for any of our promotion and publicity problems. Mr. Frederic H. Fay is Chairman of the Division's Advisory Council.

## To help our church organization

The Division of Churches, through the Department of Ministry, gives scholarships to ministers and theological students and their children. (Our minister is the chairman of the Scholarship Committee.) The Department interviews candidates for the fellowship, helps churches select ministers, plans ministers' institutes and workshop conferences, and is working on a Manual of Procedure for the use

of parish committees. It is also making a study of ministers' salaries for the use of churches. Rev. Dan H. Fenn, the Director of the Department, and Mrs. Ruth Kinsley, his assistant, are always ready to help us.

The Department of Unitarian Extension and Church Maintenance coördinates the services to ministers and churches. It helps establish new churches, and gives financial aid and advice to established churches. It sends out illustrative material for Every Member Canvasses, advises on organizational set-up, gives advice on music and church services, and organizes churches in regional conferences. Mr. George G. Davis, Director, and Miss Florence Baer, his assistant, are ready to help us on any problems of church organization and finance.

## To help us help others

The Unitarian Service Committee, organized in May, 1940, for humanitarian work at home and abroad, has made a thrilling record in the name of all Unitarians — in southern France, Spain, Portugal, England, and this country. It has rescued distinguished people, engineered the first emigration project for children from Europe to America, set up medical, sanitary, and educational projects in internment camps in France, begun resettlement projects, established a Unitarian Center in Lisbon, and helped thousands of individual refugees. The Committee supplies bulletins and speakers on Unitarian Service work abroad and at home.

# FIRST PARISH, DORCHESTER

1630

Church formed in Plymouth, England, under the guidance  
of Rev. John White of Dorchester, England

## MINISTERS

Rev. John Warham	}	1630-1635
Rev. John Maverick		1636-1669
Rev. Richard Mather		1671-1680
Rev. John Danforth		1682-1730
Rev. Jonathan Bowman		1729-1773
Rev. Moses Everett		1774-1793
Rev. Thaddeus Mason Harris		1793-1836
Rev. Nathaniel Hall		1835-1875
Rev. Samuel J. Barrows		1876-1880
Rev. Christopher R. Eliot		1882-1893
Rev. Eugene R. Shippen		1894-1907
Rev. Roger S. Forbes		1908-1917
Rev. Harry Foster Burns		1918-1921
Rev. Adelbert Lathrop Hudson		1921-1938
Rev. Lyman Vincent Rutledge		1921-1927
Rev. Robert Arthur Storer		1937



